

not intended to be excluded. Therefore, NMFS clarifies that fishermen who have not yet repaired or replaced their eligible gear or vessels may apply for the program. All estimated repair costs will be thoroughly verified by NMFS and assessed at the fair market value at the time that the loss or damage occurred.

The final program notice required all applications to be submitted no later than October 7, 1996. This notice hereby extends the application deadline through a date 30 days after the date of publication of this notice to allow enough time for applicants to consider these revisions and submit new or revised applications.

#### Classification

This program has been determined to be not significant for the purposes of E.O. 12866.

Applications under this program are subject to E.O. 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs."

This action is exempt from review under section 553 of the Administrative Procedure Act, since this notice only provides program clarifications and does not contain a general notice of proposed rulemaking. Concomitantly, no regulatory flexibility analysis under 5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.* is required. This program contains a collection-of-information requirement subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act. The collection of this information has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB control number 0648-0082).

Authority: Public Law 99-659 (16 U.S.C. 4107 *et seq.*); Public Law 102-396.

Dated: October 17, 1996.

Charles Karnella,

*Acting Director, Office of Operations, Management and Information, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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#### [I.D. 092396A]

#### Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of cancellation of a public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) has cancelled the public meeting of the Socioeconomic Assessment Panel that was scheduled for October 23-24, 1996.

The meeting was announced in the Federal Register on October 2, 1996.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Antonio Lamberte, Economist; telephone: 813-228-2815.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The initial notice published on October 2, 1996 (61 FR 51435). This meeting was intended to review available social and economic data on the Gulf of Mexico red snapper, vermilion, and amberjack fisheries and to determine the social and economic implications of the levels of acceptable biological catch (ABC) recommended by the Council's Reef Fish Stock Assessment Panel (SAP). Cancellation of the meeting is due to the fact that the SAP was unable to recommend ABC levels for the species mentioned above.

The meeting will be rescheduled at a future date.

Dated: October 18, 1996.

Gary C. Matlock,

*Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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#### [I.D. 092796J]

#### Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of cancellation of a public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council has cancelled the public meeting of the Standing and Special Reef Fish Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) that was scheduled for October 30, 1996. The meeting was announced in the Federal Register on October 7, 1996.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Antonio Lamberte, Economist; telephone: 813-228-2815.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The initial notice was published on October 7, 1996 (61 FR 52438). The purpose of this meeting was for the SSC to review both the SAP and SEP reports and determine if the reports were based on the best available scientific information.

This meeting will be rescheduled at a future date.

Dated: October 18, 1996.

Gary C. Matlock,

*Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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#### [I.D. 101096B]

#### Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee; Public Meetings

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given of meetings of the Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee (MAFAC) from November 18 to November 21, 1996.

**DATES:** The meetings are scheduled as follows:

1. November 18, 1996, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
2. November 19, 1996, 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
3. November 20, 1996, 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 pm.
4. November 21, 1996, 8:30 a.m. - noon

**ADDRESSES:** The meetings will be held at the Ilikai Hotel Nikko, 1777 Ala Mona Boulevard, Honolulu, HI. Requests for special accommodations may be directed to MAFAC, Office of Management Information, National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Richard Wheeler, Executive Secretary; telephone: (301) 713-2252.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As required by section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1982), notice is hereby given of meetings of MAFAC. MAFAC was established by the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) on February 17, 1971, to advise the Secretary on all living marine resource matters that are the responsibility of Commerce. This Committee ensures that the living marine resource policies and programs of this Nation are adequate to meet the needs of commercial and recreational fisheries, and environmental, state, consumer, academic, and other national interests.

#### Matters to be Considered

##### November 18, 1996

- (1) Joint Commercial-Recreational Subcommittee Meeting
- (2) Protected Resources/Habitat Subcommittee Meeting
- (3) Seafood Markets and Trade Subcommittee Meeting
- (4) Bycatch Subcommittee Business Meeting

##### November 19, 1996

- (1) Seafood Markets and Trade Subcommittee Meeting